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Inventor: Albert Mele

For: SAFETY SHUTOFF APPARATUS AND METHOD

Enclosed are:

7 sheets of informal drawings.

A Disclosure Document filed in the Patent Office: NONE

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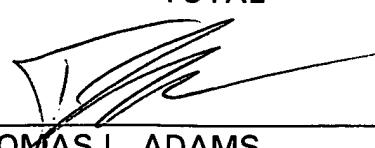
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